

REMARKS

By this Supplemental Amendment, claim 30 added in the July 8, 2004 Amendment is amended. Claims 1-17 which were amended in the July 8, 2004 Amendment and claims 18-29 and 31-34 which were added in the July 8, 2004 Amendment remain in the application. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application are respectfully requested.

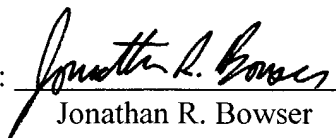
Claim 30 has been amended to properly depend from claim 29 instead of claim 11.

For the reasons given in the July 8, 2004 Amendment, the Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-34 are clearly in condition for allowance. In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance. An early notice thereof is respectfully solicited.

If, after reviewing this Supplemental Amendment, the Examiner feels there are any issues remaining which must be resolved before the application can be passed to issue, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned by telephone in order to resolve such issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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